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**MAYOR PEREZ ANNOUNCES BLUEPRINT TO HELP
HARTFORD CHILDREN SUCCEED**

WHAT: Mayor Eddie Perez will announce a comprehensive five-year \$185 million plan to enable Hartford's children to achieve success in school and in life.

This "Hartford Blueprint for Young Children" was developed under the Mayor's direction by a team of early childhood professionals and community leaders.

Six goals and the steps necessary to achieve measurable outcomes for young children will be outlined. Goals include providing health screening for all Hartford newborns, and making full-time quality early education available for all Hartford children.

The Mayor will also announce the creation of his Cabinet for Young Children, as well as an Office for Young Children within the Mayor's office to implement the Blueprint.

WHEN: Monday, May 16, 2005
11 a.m.

WHERE: Mount Olive Child Development Center

30 Battles Street, Hartford

WHO: Mayor Eddie Perez, Commissioner Betty Sternberg, Superintendent Robert Henry, Chris Hall with the Hartford Foundation for Public Giving, and Elaine Zimmerman of the Connecticut Commission on Children

There will be a photo opportunity in a preschool classroom.

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Directions:

91 South and 91 North – Exit 32B Trumbull Street. At end of exit, turn right onto Market Street. Turn left at next light. Turn right onto Windsor Street. Turn right on Battles Street (2nd street after stop sign). Turn right into driveway.

84 West – Exit 50 Main Street. Turn right at end of ramp onto Market Street. Follow directions above.

84 East – Exit 50 Main Street. At the end of the exit, turn left. At second light, turn left onto Main Street (stay in far right lane). Turn right onto Battles Street (go through 3 traffic lights). Turn left into first driveway.